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## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY ORIGINAL APPLICATION

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor or an original, first and joint inventor of the subject matter that is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled:

### HYDRAULIC COUPLING SYSTEM

the specification of which (check one)

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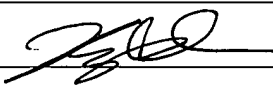
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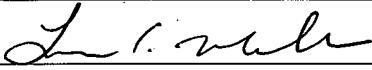
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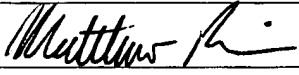
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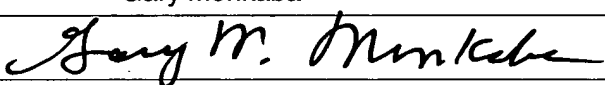
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